

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated January 30, 2002. Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 10, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 8, and 9 as indicated by the clean copy of amended claims 1, 8, and 9 in Appendix A, attached hereto. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is included in Appendix B, also attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the original specification with the substitute specification attached hereto.

A copy of the original specification is included indicating the portions of the original specification which were deleted, and indicating where insertions into the original specifications were made.

The substitute specification contains no new matter.